



HURRICANE RITA SURGE INUNDATION and **ADVISORY BASE FLOOD ELEVATION MAP** St. Mary Parish, Louisiana

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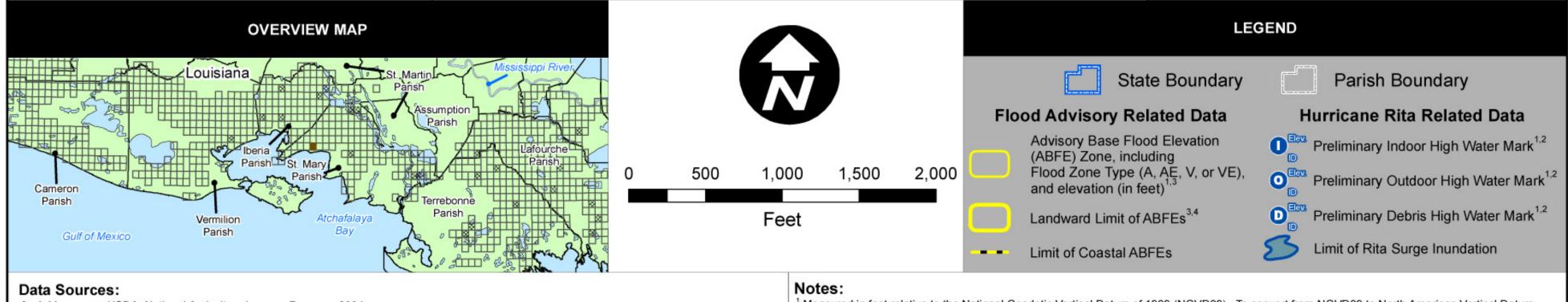
Advisory Base Flood Elevations¹

This map shows Advisory Base Flood Elevations (ABFEs) developed by FEMA. Please see http://www.fema.gov/hazards/floods/recoverydata/ pdf/stmary_parish11-30-05nh.pdf

for more information on how they were determined.

Estimated Rita Surge Elevations^{1,2}

11-12 ft



Aerial Imagery: USDA, National Agriculture Imagery Program, 2004 Flood Zones and Elevations: FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (St. Mary Parish, 1983-1999)

High Water Marks: FEMA (Identified and surveyed Sept-Dec., 2005)

For more information on these advisory maps, please see http://www.fema.gov/hazards/floods/recoverydata/rita_index.shtm

¹ Measured in feet relative to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD29). To convert from NGVD29 to North American Vertical Datum of 1988 in St. Mary Parish, subtract 0.21 feet.

² Range estimated from surveyed, surge-only High Water Marks. Local wave effects (wave heights and wave runup) are not included in these elevations. ³ Each whole-foot ABFE shown applies to all properties located in the mapped zone, with zone boundaries outlined in yellow. These ABFEs reflect freeboard of 1 foot above current, effective Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) shown on each community's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).

⁴ For areas outside of the ABFE limits, please refer to the community's effective FIRM for additional flood hazard information, where applicable.

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